

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yoshiya TOMATSU Group Art Unit: 2852

Application No.: 10/799,585 Examiner: Q. GRAINGER

Filed: March 15, 2004 Docket No.: 119090

For: THERMAL FIXING DEVICE AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS WITH A

THERMAL FIXING DEVICE THAT INCLUDES A FIXING MEMBER, A FIRST PRESSING MEMBER AND A SECOND PRESSING MEMBER (AS AMENDED)

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed September 22, 2005, and the February 7, 2006 personal interview, the shortened statutory period for reply extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time to February 22, 2006, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification;

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.